

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reexamination of the captioned application is respectfully requested.

A. SUMMARY OF THIS AMENDMENT

By the current amendment, Applicants basically:

1. Amend the specification.
2. Amend Figs. 1, 3 and 6-8 to add labels to the elements.
3. Amend claims 1-5 and 8-11.

B. CLAIM AMENDMENTS

Claims 1 – 5 and 8 – 11 have been amended, substantially as proposed by the Examiner. Please note that the proposal regarding claim 1, line 4, appeared confusing, and that an alternate amendment has been adopted.

C. REPLACEMENT DRAWINGS

Attached are replacement sheets for Figs. 1, 3, and 6 – 8. The replacement sheets include labels in function blocks of Figs. 1, 3, and 6 – 8.

D. MISCELLANEOUS

In view of the foregoing and other considerations, all claims are deemed in condition for allowance. A formal indication of allowability is earnestly solicited.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the undersigned's deposit account #14-1140 in whatever amount is necessary for entry of these papers and the continued pendency of the captioned application.

Should the Examiner feel that an interview with the undersigned would facilitate allowance of this application, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned.

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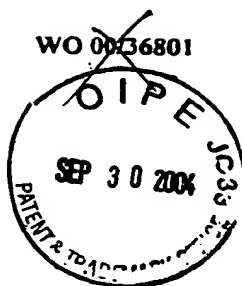


FIG.1

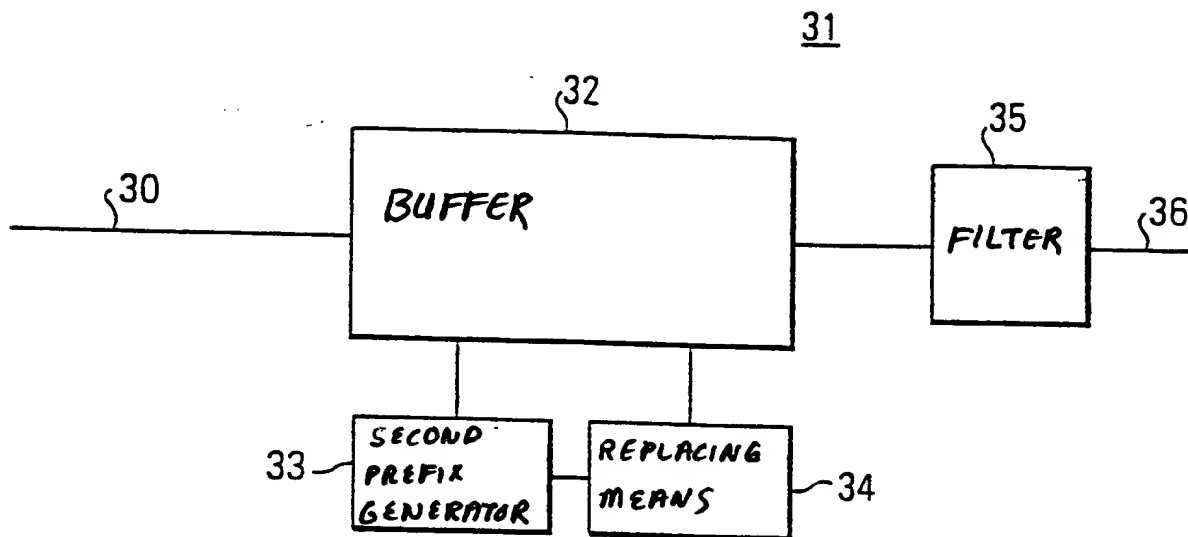
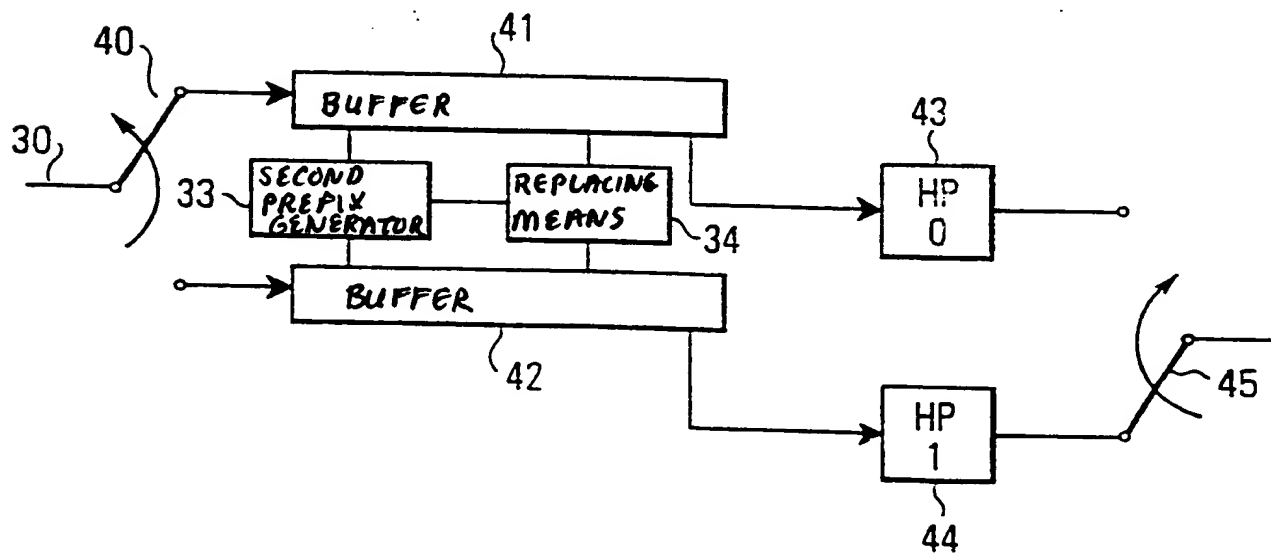


FIG.3



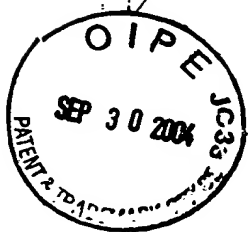


FIG.6

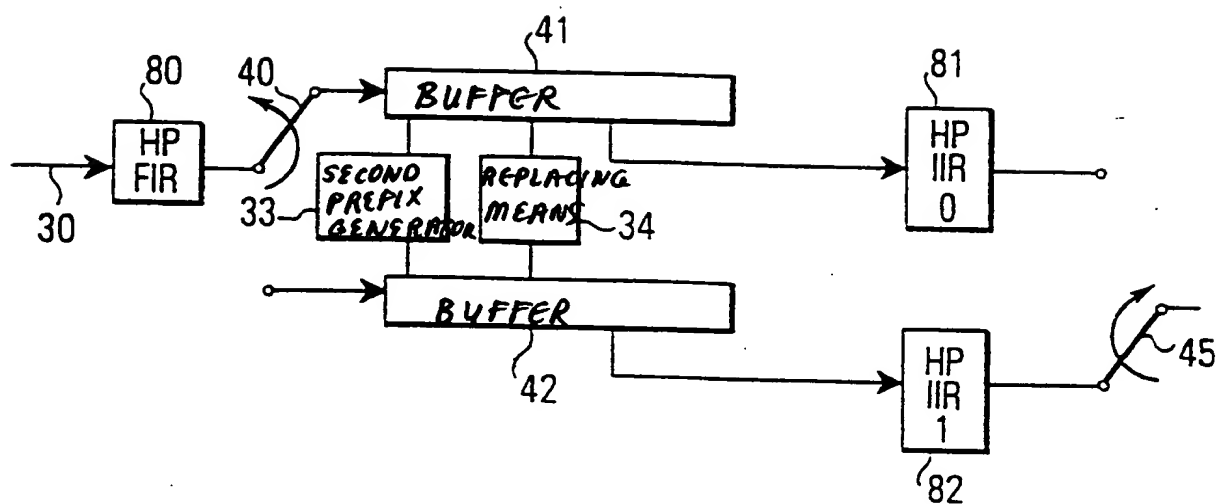


FIG.7

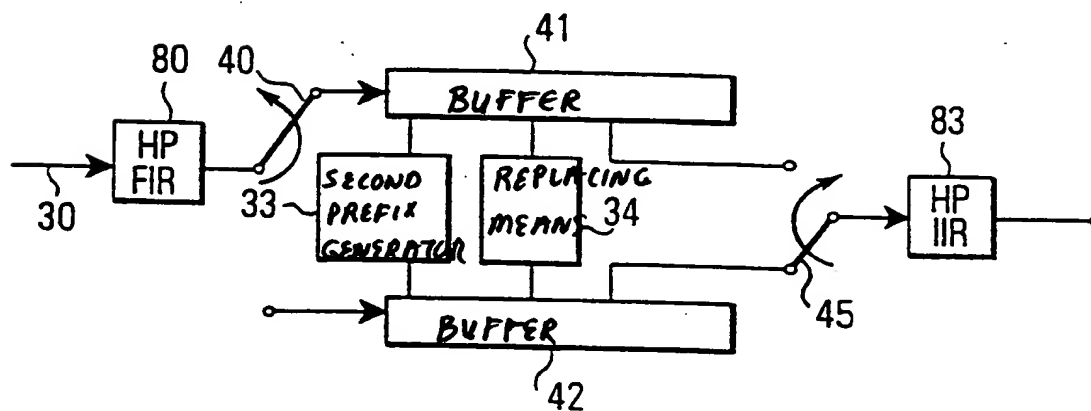




FIG.8

